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Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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Hi AYSO families,

Please forgive the delay in the newsletter. It's coming all the way to you from Boise, Idaho!

We are having our annual Silent Saturday again, and this year it is on Saturday, September 30th. Each year we hold a game day where the players can focus on the game without distractions that sometimes come from outside the field. It gives players the opportunity to communicate more and better with the players that are on the field, and gives them the chance to realize that they truly hold the game in their hands.

Here are some objectives to Silent Saturday:

- To reemphasize that the game is about letting the kids play and have fun
- To give the players a chance to play totally on their own
- To eliminate the verbal questioning of the referees' decisions.
- To help the few parents and coaches who feel they must provide constant direction, and to understand that the kids can play very well on their own with limited instruction

From the youngest teams to the oldest teams, we stress that the games belong to the teams alone on that day. I can speak from personal experience that coaches may have a particularly difficult time holding the excitement and instructions in, but let's not forget; it's only once a year!

It's always a hit with the kids, and if you have any questions, please see us at the tent. We're glad to help!

Kelly Litvinoff
SAYSO Editor



Interview

With Sam Miskelly

One of our very own
Challenger coaches!

Corner

1. Where in England are you from?

A place called Sale in Manchester, home of the great Manchester United.

2. How long have you been playing and coaching?

I've been playing all of my life, and got into coaching around ten years ago, and have loved it ever since. I also love to play whenever I get the chance.

3. What do you like most about being a Challenger coach?

I enjoy so many things about working for Chllenger, like meeting new people and traveling. But my favourite? That I actually get to earn a living by doing what I love!

4. What hobbies do you have besides soccer?

I have a lot of hobbies,. Most sports including skiing and fishing.
I am also currently trying to learn the guitar!

5. Free talk:

I am so glad to be back working in Simi after taking a year out and working in Spain. It's nice to see familiar faces still working closely with AYSO, and a lot who have joined the board since I left. Jack has done a really good job this spring, and it will be great to work with him once more on and off the field to help improve the region!



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Football (soccer) is a matter of life and death, except more important.

-Bill Shankly

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On Silent Saturday

Spectators: Please be advised that you may not make any verbal comments on the game or direct any comments to the players, referees or coaches - on or of the field. Clapping IS allowed! Be creative in how you choose to cheer your child's team - make signs to hold up, bring a rally towel in the team's color and wave it wildly, there are lots of ways to cheer other than verbally.

Coaches: You may not provide any direction - verbal or non-verbal - to players who are on the field. You may speak quietly to any players that are on the bench, but DO NOT give those players instructions to yell out to their teammates! Coaches may address the players at a normal tone before and after the game, during water breaks and during halftime.

Players: You are encouraged to speak to each other on the field. You are free to support each other and provide direction to each other. Players on the bench may cheer freely in a positive manner, but may not provide instruction to those on the field.

Referees: Referees have been instructed that if spectators and coaches are not following the rules, the referees are to stop the game and issue a warning. The referee will then have the option to give a second warning if the behavior continues, or to terminate the game.

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STANDINGS

BOYS U10

Rank	Team	Win	Lose	Tie	Points
1	7	2	0	0	6
2	1	1	0	0	3
2	5	1	0	0	3
3	4	0	1	0	0
3	3	0	1	0	0
3	6	0	1	0	0
3	2	0	1	0	0

GIRLS U10

Rank	Team	Win	Lose	Tie	Points
1	6	1	0	0	3
1	1	1	0	0	3
1	5	1	0	0	3
2	4	0	1	0	0
2	2	0	1	0	0
2	3	0	1	0	0

BOYS U12

Rank	Team	Win	Lose	Tie	Points
1	1	2	0	0	6
1	6	2	0	0	6
2	3	1	1	0	3
2	5	1	1	0	3
3	2	0	2	0	0
3	4	0	2	0	0

GIRLS U12

Rank	Team	Win	Lose	Tie	Points
1	1	2	0	0	6
2	4	1	1	0	3
2	3	1	1	0	3
3	2	0	2	0	0